

SKYWARN 2014



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Skywarn is an effort to save lives during severe weather emergencies by expanding networks of spotters and by encouraging the widest possible participation in tornado warning programs. There is no way to stop tornadoes, and not all tornadoes show up on radar, but they can be seen. Lives can be saved. Only one instrument can detect a tornado or funnel with complete certainty, the human eye.

Skywarn training gives an individual the basic tools needed to be a severe weather spotter. Starting with a blue sky, individuals are taught the basics of thunderstorm development, storm structure, what features to look for and where to find them. The class covers what information to report and how to report it. Basic severe weather safety is also covered. Classes are **FREE** and typically last two hours. While new technological and scientific tools have advanced the National Weather Service (NWS) capability to predict severe weather, the trained spotter remains essential to the NWS warning process. It goes without saying that the more trained "eyes" we have in the field during a severe weather event, the better our service to you and the public will be. More concern, more spotters, more eyes are needed. Lend us yours - learn **SKYWARN!**

SPOTTER TRAINING CLASSES

Monday, February 24	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Groveland Township Fire Department, Station #1
Monday, March 3	6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Southfield Civic Center Library
Wednesday, March 5	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Oakland County Homeland Security Division (EOB Bldg 41W)
Saturday, March 22	10:00 AM - NOON	Oakland County Homeland Security Division (EOB Bldg 41W)
Saturday, March 22	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Oakland County Homeland Security Division (EOB Bldg 41W)
Wednesday, March 26	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Rochester Hills Fire Department, Station #1
Monday, April 7	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Novi Civic Center

All interested parties (i.e. fire, police, EMS, security, volunteers, and citizens) are encouraged to attend.

The **Oakland County Homeland Security Division** coordinates this program.

Limited space is available, so make your reservations now!



Go to: oakgov.com/homelandsecurity
and click on the Skywarn logo to register
or
(248) 858-5300



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Oakland County Executive

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Oakland County Homeland Security Division
Executive Office Bldg. 41W
2100 Pontiac Lake Rd.
Waterford, 48328



Groveland Twp Fire Department
Station #1
14645 Dixie Highway @ Grange Hall Road
Holly, 48442



Civic Center Complex - Auditorium
City of Southfield Library
26300 Evergreen Rd (½ Mile S of I-696
or ½ Mile N of 10 Mile Rd)
Southfield, 48037



Rochester Hills Fire Department
Station #1
1111 Horizon (off Livernois, between Avon &
Hamlin Ct)
Rochester Hills, 48309



Novi Civic Center
45175 W 10 Mile Rd
Novi, 48375

